



garment blank subassembly [connecting] at the end of the respective first angular portion and a second end attached in said garment blank subassembly at the joinder of [connecting] the respective back leg edge portion with [to] the respective first and second crotch edge portions, and wherein the second section of the first elastic extends across the crotch between the second ends of the first arcuate portions, and

[(b)] wherein the first and third sections of the second elastic comprise [comprises additionally] second arcuate portions, each said second arcuate portion having a first end attached in said garment blank subassembly [connecting] at the end of the respective first essentially perpendicular portion and a second end attached in said garment blank subassembly at the joinder of [connecting] the respective front leg edge portion with [to] the respective first and second crotch edge portions, and wherein the second section of the second elastic extends across the crotch between the second ends of the second arcuate portions.

21. (Amended) A garment blank subassembly [as in Claim 2, comprising additionally] having a front body portion, a back body portion, and a crotch intermediate of and extending from the front body portion to the back body portion and between a pair of leg openings in a garment to be assembled from the garment blank subassembly, the front body portion having first and second front leg edge portions along the leg openings, a front end opposite the first and second front leg edge portions, and first and second front sides, the back body portion having first and second back leg edge portions along the leg openings, a back end opposite the first and second back leg edge portions, and first and second back sides, the crotch having first and second crotch edge portions on opposing sides thereof along the leg openings, the garment blank subassembly having a length extending between the front and back ends, a width extending between the first and second sides, and a longitudinal

centerline between the first and second front and back sides, each of the first and second back leg edge portions having an angular portion extending generally along a line forming an acute angle with the longitudinal centerline, the garment blank subassembly, when laid out flat, comprising:

- (a) a first layer, extending from the first end through the crotch to the second end;
- (b) a first elastic attached to the first layer, and extending from a first locus adjacent the first back side, as a first section of the first elastic, along the width of the garment blank subassembly, toward the front end at an acute angle with the longitudinal centerline and generally following the first back leg edge portion toward the crotch, as a second section of the first elastic across the crotch, and as a third section of the first elastic away from the first end at an acute angle with the longitudinal centerline and generally following the second back leg edge portion, to a second locus adjacent the second back side, the first and third sections of the first elastic being stretched and the second section of the first elastic being substantially relaxed when the garment blank subassembly is laid out flat; and
- (c) a second layer, the first and third sections of the first elastic being disposed between [attached to at least one of] the first and second layers.

23. (Amended) A garment blank subassembly as in Claim 22, the first and third sections of the first elastic being secured between the first and second layers, the second section of the first elastic being disposed in the unsecured space.